

Remarks

The Office requires election of the invention to be examined. Applicant elects group I, claims 1-3, without traverse. Applicant also adds claims 9-19, all of which are directed toward embodiments of the semiconductor device of elected group I. Support for newly-added claim 9-19 can be found throughout the specification and figures, such as, for example, in figures 1 and 4-10 and in the specification page 10, line 14 through page 11, line 17 and page 13, line 21 through page 17, line 18.

Applicants submit that all pending claims are now in a condition for allowance. Accordingly, a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested. If the Examiner has any questions concerning the present paper, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at (206) 407-1542. If any fees are due in connection with filing this paper, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the Deposit Account of Schwabe, Williamson and Wyatt, P.C., No. 50-0393.

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